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FM AMEMBASSY PHNOM PENH

TO USINFO WASHDC IMMEDIATE

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AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

AMEMBASSY SAIGON

SECDEF WASHDC

UNCLAS PHNOM PENH 1223

USINFO ALSO FOR VOA NEWSROOM

USINFO ALSO FOR IEA

BANGKOK FOR HEDGES

BANGKOK AND SAIGON FOR VOA CORRESPONDENTS

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CAMBODIAN SITUATIONER

1. 61 ROUNDS OF COMMUNIST 105MM ARTILLERY HIT PHNOM PENH
AND ITS AIRPORT FRIDAY NIGHT KILLING 6 PEOPLE AND WOUNDING
22 OTHERS.

2. THE TWO-DAY FANK OPERATION ALONG ROUTE ONE TO NEAK
LUONG ENDED YESTERDAY WITH THE ENEMY LOSING 37 SOLDIERS KILLED.
FIVE OTHER COMMUNISTS WERE CAPTURED. FANK CASUALTIES WERE
LIGHT TO MODERATE.

3. SCATTERED FIGHTING WAS REPORTED FROM THE PREK THANOT
FRONT TO THE SOUTH OF PHNOM PENH. NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGES
IN THE BATTLE LINES WERE NOTED IN THE PAST 24 HOURS AS
FANK UNITS CLASHED WITH ENEMY INFILTRATORS. KAF PLANES
AND HELICOPTER GUNSHIPS FLEW 77 SORTIES IN THEIR SUPPORT.

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4. FIGHTING WAS LIGHT ELSEWHERE IN THE COUNTRY WITH THE MOST SIGNIFICANT CONTACT WITH ENEMY FORCES BEING MADE IN THE AREA ON THE EAST BANK OF THE BASSAC SOUTHEAST OF PHNOM PENH WHERE FANK UNITS ENGAGED EVERY FORCES IN LIGHT ACTION.

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